

UPPER BROADWAY
WIDE OPEN AGAIN

Gamblers and Other Purveyors
of Vice Rely on "Outward
Decency" Order Sent
Out from City Hall.

RICH WOMEN IN FEAR

Woman Who Kept Gambling
House for Them Threatens to
Reveal Names of Socially
Prominent Among Her
Patrons to Committee.

Doleful predictions by those of the
ever and under world that the killing
of Herman Rosenthal and the exposure
of police partnership with vice and
crime would result in Broadway being
turned into a cowpath have not been
realized. Neither are they likely to be.
The West Side from the 40's up to
Harlem is "wider open" than ever.
Even the "outward decency" plan by
which Mayor Gaynor attempted to cur-
tail off gambling and other forms of
vice, has gone by the board.

Observations by reporters for The
Tribune along Broadway and the upper
West Side reveal that Broadway
never was less a cowpath. Gambling
and disorderly houses running full
blast are not numerous on cowpaths.
Neither are palaces of chance con-
ducted exclusively for women of wealth
and more or less socially prominent
connected with bucolic byways. Police
tribute on vice is not levied amid such
truly rural surroundings.

Mrs. Mary Goode, whose exposure
of the police overlordship of vice
focussed the attention of District At-
torney Whitman on several high offi-
cials of the force and their police and
civilian tribute gatherers, illuminated
one angle of the situation when she
said that since the revelations of the
Becker case, the police had become
more rapacious than ever in their ex-
actions on vice. That the "outward
decency" order of Mayor Gaynor has
aided them greatly in levying tribute is
the opinion of gamblers and others, as
voiced to reporters for The Tribune.

Where Women Gamble.

Another fact that shows Broadway
to be many times removed from re-
semblance to a cowpath is the revela-
tion of gambling places for women all
over the upper West Side. Following
the raid on the apartment of Mrs. Belle
Gubner, in West 92d street, informa-
tion that scores of such establishments
are scattered all over that part of the
city has come to light. The majority
of them are patronized by women of
wealth and social station, while others
are frequented by both men and women
who have money to risk in games of
chance.

Like Mrs. Goode, Mrs. Gubner has
turned on the police. She openly
charged that the police know of the
existence of these places and levy the
usual tribute upon them for the bene-
fit of the "system." Her declaration
that she will reveal all she knows of
the police partnership with this form
of vice to the Curran committee of the
Board of Aldermen has caused per-
turbation not only among the police-
men involved but among the women
frequenters of these gambling houses
de luxe. She has declared that her
story will bring many women who are
prominent socially and many business
and professional men into the strong
light of an unwelcome publicity.

Mrs. Gubner said she would go be-
fore the aldermanic committee to-day
and tell of one gambling house in West
64th street which is frequented by
men and women of high standing in
business and social circles, which is
equipped on a lavish scale and the play
is for high stakes. The existence of

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LAND \$5,500,000 AN ACRE

Strip at Charing Cross, London,
Valued at This Rate.

(By Cable to The Tribune.)
London, Jan. 20.—A tiny strip of
ground, totalling 161½ square feet, near
Charing Cross, is to be sold by the Lon-
don County Council to the Liverpool
and London and Globe Insurance Com-
pany for £11,737, a sum which works
out at about \$5,500,000 an acre.

The south corner of Broadway and Wall
street was sold by the Benjamin Silb-
man estate for \$558 65 a square foot, or
\$24,324,824 an acre. Many other parcels
in lower Manhattan are valued at far
more than the Charing Cross parcel.

MAYER'S TRIP MAY BE
FOR RUSSIAN LOAN

Chicago Lawyer to Travel with
Ambassador Guild to Avoid
Passport Question.

(By Telegraph to The Tribune.)

Chicago, Jan. 19.—Levy Mayer, widely
known as a lawyer, left Chicago this
afternoon on a secret financial mission
to Russia. To escape the regulations
against the admission of Jews he has
arranged to meet Curtis Guild, United
States Ambassador to Russia, in Paris,
and will travel from there as a mem-
ber of the diplomat's party. Arrangements
have been made through the State
Department so there will be no in-
terference with Mr. Mayer's passage
across the border.

Although Mr. Mayer was not com-
mittal, it was said he is going to Rus-
sia as a representative of a powerful
syndicate of American and European
Jewish bankers with whom the czar's
government is said to have been en-
deavoring to negotiate an enormous
loan.

Another surprise is that Mr. Mayer's
mission might have to do with railroad
and mineral development schemes in
Siberia.

REUNITED AFTER 60 YEARS

Woman Meets Third of 13
Brothers and Sisters.

(By Telegraph to The Tribune.)

Boston, Jan. 19.—Meeting her long-
lost brother, Napoleon Dearborn, for
the first time since they were sepa-
rated, sixty years ago, was the experi-
ence of Mrs. Peter Colvin, of Haver-
hill, Mass.

It was through the brother reading a
pension list that the happy reunion
was brought about. In the list Dearborn
saw a name which was the same as
that of his lost brother, whose widow
was to receive a pension. Napoleon
went to New York last week, called at
the home of the widow, and as a result
of the information he received there
came to Haverhill, where he found his
lost sister. Dearborn is a hotelkeeper
at The Wells, N. H.

The reunion makes the third out of
thirteen brothers and sisters Mrs. Colvin
has ever seen or heard from since
the family was separated by adoption
threescore years ago.

GABY DESLYS ROBBED
OF HER JEWELS AGAIN

Trunks of Whole Cast of
"Whirl of Society" Broken
Open on Train.

Gaby Deslys has lost her jewels
again. Gemless, she and the other pul-
chritudes of the "Whirl of Society"
will have to appear at the Majestic
Theatre in Brooklyn to-day, and the
chorus men will go studious, too.

This time the diamonds and rubies
and emeralds and pearls and the rest
of them were lost in a railway robbery.
Detectives for the New York Central
were really busy last night here and
in Albany searching for the men who
broke open the "Whirl of Society" trunks,
somewhere between Manhattan
and the state capital, it is thought.

In all, it is said, about \$70,000 or \$80,000
worth of stuff was taken—not all of it
jewels, though, for some of it was rich
and sumptuous robes.

The company left Albany at 3:04
o'clock yesterday morning and arrived
here at 7:02 a. m.

It was not until 4 o'clock yesterday
afternoon that "the great jewel robbery"
was discovered. Tom Sheridan,
the property man, went down to the
railroad yards to look after the trunks
and scenery. As soon as he found the
trunks had been broken open and their
contents turned topsy-turvy he called
up the Winter Garden.

Everybody at the music hall got busy
right away. The press agent called up
Police Headquarters and then lost no
time in getting to the "shack" where
the reporters make their little home in
West 30th street.

"Seventy thousand dollars! Maybe
\$80,000!" he gasped. "Tom" Sheri-
dan found one loose pearl on the floor
of the baggage car and an expensive
chinchilla coat. Gaby lost among
other things a wonderful cabochon
ring and three strings of pearls. Looked
like the man did it with an axe and a
cold chisel. Yes, majestic, in Brook-
lyn, to-morrow, Monday, I mean, to-
day in the newspapers!"

Gaby herself was seen at the Plaza
last night. She said she was worried,
oh! terribly worried, over the loss of
her jewels, but really she did not know
the value of them.

"My maid she put in the pair neck-
lace and the diamonds and the chic
gowns," she said. "Zat's all I know.
But is it not terrible, this robbery?"
But I know not the value. You should
see my press agent, Mr. Foxen Worm; he
will tell. A big fat man tell me to
come to Forty-two street to-morrow at
10 o'clock, and I shall be there. Zat's
all I know."

Forty-two street turned out to be the
Grand Central terminal.

BIG BROKER IN
"ARSON TRUST" NET

Whitman Throws Cordon of
Detectives Around Rich
Fire Adjuster's
Home.

ACCUSED BY "IZZY" STEIN

Indictment Will Be Returned
To-day by Grand Jury—
Broker Now on Auto Tour
—His Clerk Gives Dam-
aging Evidence.

One of the richest fire insurance
brokers in the city, who occupies a
prominent place among public fire ad-
justers, has been dragged into the net
spread by District Attorney Whitman
for the members of the "arson trust."

All yesterday detectives surrounded
his home, which is in one of the most
expensive apartment houses in the
city, but up to an early hour this
morning the fire insurance broker had
not put in an appearance.

But the detectives continued their
vigil, and it is expected that he will
be a prisoner before the day is out.
In any event, he will be indicted to-
day, for enough evidence was supplied
to Royal H. Weller, Assistant Dis-
trict Attorney, who has charge of the
arson cases, to warrant a grand jury
finding.

The broker in question is the most
important figure in the "arson trust"
that the District Attorney has reached
out for so far.

The principal evidence against the
broker was furnished by "Izzy" Stein-
kreuter, or Stein, better known as
"Izzy the Painter," who spent all of
yesterday afternoon in Mr. Weller's
office adding to his revelations of the
workings of the "arson trust."

Cordon Around Broker's House.

The last seen of the broker was yester-
day morning, when he left his home
in his automobile, clad in furs, as was
his chauffeur, and he left word that he
would not be home until late.

"Izzy" story was in part corroborated
by a confidential clerk formerly
in the employ of the broker. His name
was withheld by the authorities, and
Mr. Weller made it plain that the clerk
had not been mixed up with his em-
ployer in any criminal undertaking.

"Izzy" said that he first met the
broker three years ago, having been in-
troduced to him by George Grutz, who
is now a prisoner in the Tombs. "Izzy,"
who started his confession yesterday by
saying that at least five thousand East
Siders had asked him to set fire to
their places since he came to this city,
in 1907, said that the broker had em-
ployed him to apply the torch to many
apartments and business places. The
exact number "Izzy" could not remem-
ber.

The clerk said that his one-time em-
ployer, though a shrewd man, once
sent him to make an inventory of an
apartment that had been burned out
with all the evidences of having been
fired by an incendiary, and that he had
made out the inventory as directed.

Clerk Made Fire Inventory.

The inventory he turned over to his
employer, who then made out the nec-
essary papers to send to the insurance
company in order to collect the insur-
ance. The clerk was sent with the
papers.

At the office of the insurance com-
pany, according to the story told to
Assistant District Attorney Weller, a
clerk in the employ of the company said
to the alleged firebug's clerk:

"This fire is not right."
To which the firebug's clerk replied:
"Well, here's the papers. That lets
me out of it."

This experience frightened the clerk,
who is married, and realizing that he
was in a dangerous position, he re-
signed and found new employment.

Mr. Weller said that through the
statements of firemen, fire marshals and
neighbors of those whose fire losses
were adjusted by the broker the chain
of evidence against him is complete and
that an indictment will be returned
against him to-day, along with indict-
ments against two or three others.

"Arson Trust" Roundup Soon.

The District Attorney's office hopes
to round up the rest of the heads of the
"arson trust" during the present week.
Already six have been indicted for
their complicity in firing hundreds of
places where they had been hired by
the occupants to set the torch.

"Izzy" said that the biggest fires oc-
curred in flats which were close to fire
houses. There was a scientific reason
for this. In fact, an incendiary fire in
a flat immediately adjoining a fire
house would have better chances of es-
caping the watchful eye of the fire
marshal than one several blocks re-
moved. The reason is this: A fire oc-
curring near a fire house will generally
result in no alarm being sent, as some-
one in the neighborhood would run to
the fire house and a still alarm would
result. This would not bring out a fire
marshal, and when he did get there,
maybe hours later, all odors of gasoline
and benzine would have disappeared
and there would be no actual evidence
of arson.

NEW ORLEANS MARDI GRAS
Pennsylvania Railroad Tour. Leaves N. Y.
Jan. 30, 1913. Includes necessary expenses for
8 days. Special Pullman train. Booking of-
fice, 38 3/4th Ave., N. Y. C., or any ticket agt.
—Adv.

CORWIN, MILLION GONE, ILL;
LIVES IN HALL BEDROOM

HALSEY CORWIN AND HIS FORMER WIFE.

The young man who got rid of almost a million dollars after marrying the "Pearl" of Sheephead
Bay is now living in a hall bedroom, and a very small one at that.



Shadow of Former Self, Once
Gilded Youth Is All but
Penniless.

ILL LUCK STALKS HIM

Is Going Away to Recuperate,
After Five Weeks in Hospital
—Will Not Talk of Wife
Who Left Him.

Halsey Corwin seems still bound by
the chain of misfortune that has tied
him hand and foot ever since he mar-
ried Roberta Menges, "the pearl of
Sheephead Bay," eleven years ago. An-
other link in the chain was forged six
weeks ago in Roosevelt Hospital, and
now Corwin, once worth almost \$1,000,000,
is sitting in a diminutive hall bed-
room, at No. 146 West 46th street, with
hardly room to move between his bu-
reau and his trunk.

Corwin has been out of the hospital
only a day or two. For about five of
the six weeks he lay in bed with pleu-
risy and a nervous breakdown. The
other week he spent in the doctor's
waiting room because he was penniless
and had no place to live. Last night he
said that he had just about enough
money to get on with, but none to buy
a surplus postage stamp with. It was
rumored that a fraternal order had paid
his hospital bills, but Corwin said he
had settled them himself.

He looked unlike the big, jolly Cor-
win who spilled about \$800,000 between
Coney Island and the Great White Way
the year he married Morris Menges's
daughter, but the same big frame was
there, and the same pleasant smile.
What he needed most was more flesh,
and more blood in his veins. He said
he was going to the country, he didn't
know where, for a short time, and when
he came back he expected to begin
taking tickets for the same moving
picture people he worked for last year
at \$12 a week.

Corwin would not talk about his for-
mer wife, who left him four years after
their marriage, and after his money
was gone. As a matter of fact, scarcely
any one ever asks him about her.

Roberta Menges's record is well
known to the New York public. It
knows of her marriage to Major Ar-
thur Hill, of the Royal Irish Rifles, in
1908, and her divorce less than a year
later. It knows the story of the smug-
gled fur coat and the subsequent ar-
raignment in the federal court, and the
more recent elopement and alliance
with Conway Teale. These are only
parts of the too familiar story of the
horseman's daughter.

MOSQUITOES ANNOY HOBOS

Great Numbers of Both—
Weather Test for Tarrytown.

The best barometer of unusual
weather has been the large number of
hoboes travelling through the country.
The Tarrytown police say they never
remember so many tramps travelling
this late in the winter. Some sleep out
in haystacks or apply at the lockup for
lodging; often twenty-five or thirty
are cared for in a single night. The
wearies say travelling is good and
meals are coming just as easy as in the
good old summer time. Last night,
when one tramp asked for lodging, he
apologized, saying he wouldn't mind
sleeping out, but on Friday night he
was so pestered with mosquitoes it dis-
turbed his rest.

Blue daisies are coming and violets
are blooming in the fields. The ferry
between Tarrytown and Nyack is run-
ning later than ever in its history.

TAKE COLLAPSIBLE TUB
WHILE HATTIE SCREAMS

Instalments Due, Furniture Movers Prove It
Was as Advertised and Let Fair Occu-
pant Finish Swim on Floor.

That society which has its being
about the neighborhood of 67th street
and Eleventh avenue is to know Mrs.
Hattie Hicks no more. Hattie says so,
and Hattie has the reputation of being
a woman of her word. There's a real
reason for her decision. Hattie an-
nounced, and to-morrow she will begin
to move her goods and chattels from the
flat at No. 547 West 67th street.

Hattie took unto herself a husband
in the person of John Hicks three
months ago, and the two started house-
keeping in the 67th street flat.
Finances were not flourishing when
Hattie and her husband began their
honeymoon and economies were in or-
der. To begin with, Hattie decided to
buy all her furnishings on the instalment
plan.

She made an agreement to buy a
stove and a collapsible bathtub with a
woman who conducts a house furnishing
store on West 65th street, with the
proviso that the articles were to be
paid for weekly. Hattie decided on the
collapsible tub because it was more
"fashionable."

Everything went swimmingly until,
recently, when John lost his job. Then
the woman from whom Hattie had
bought the stove and the bathtub be-
gan to call at the Hicks home, demand-
ing the weekly instalments. Of course,
Hattie couldn't pay, and she said so,
but the woman was obdurate.

MOLASSES HIS ELIXIR

Boone's Kin Ate Gallon a Week
and Lived To Be 87.

Wakefield, Mass., Jan. 19.—William
Boone Eldred, who believed that by
eating a gallon of molasses a week he
had prolonged his life many years, died
to-day at the age of eighty-seven.
He ate molasses on all his food.

When seventy Eldred began riding a
bicycle for exercise, and rode twenty
thousand miles during the last seven-
teen years. He was a descendant of
Daniel Boone.

PATIENTS SHUN SCHRANK

Asylum Ostracism Makes Roose-
velt's Assault Surly.

(By Telegraph to The Tribune.)
Winnebago, Wis., Jan. 19.—At the
State Asylum for the Insane, part of
which is devoted to criminals, John
Schranks is isolated even from the other
categorized prisoners because of their de-
testation of his attempt to kill Colonel
Roosevelt. It was learned to-day that
since his arrival at the asylum not a
single letter or message has been re-
ceived from him from the outside world.
Hardly a word has been exchanged be-
tween him and the other patients, even
those who rank as "trustees."

The ostracism is affecting Schranks's
disposition and he is becoming surly.

SUICIDE FOR CRIMINALS

Chinese Method of Execution
Favored by Utah Lawyer.

Salt Lake City, Jan. 19.—The method
to be used hereafter in executing cri-
minals in this state has become a topic
widely discussed since the Legislature
convened. The latest idea expressed is
that condemned criminals be permitted
to take their own lives after they have
exhausted every means to have the
death sentence set aside.

The state law provides that con-
demned criminals be executed either by
shooting or hanging, the choice to be
made by the person to be executed.
Governor Spry, in his message to the
Legislature, has recommended that the
state adopt the electric chair.

Judge Thomas Marioneaux, an at-
torney of this city, has issued a state-
ment in which he sets forth the ad-
vantages of the Chinese custom of per-
mitting a condemned criminal to com-
mit suicide.

HARD CRAB SEASON RUSHED.

(By Telegraph to The Tribune.)
Baltimore, Jan. 19.—The protracted
warm weather has brought hard crabs to
the Chesapeake Bay several months in
advance of their usual time. Fishermen
report an abundance of the crustaceans,
which is extraordinary, as usually crabs
do not appear in the Chesapeake until
late in April or early in May.

ANTIEDILUVIAN WHISKEY.
Most comforting, entertaining product of
the grain is Antediluvian. Luytjes Bros. N.Y.
—Adv.

WIDOW, JACKSON
DUPE, ENDS LIFE

Her \$85,000 Engulfed in
Worthless Mortgages, Mrs.
Eleanor Barry Shoots
Herself.

LIVED ALONE WITH MAID

Fourth Death Due to Losses
in Deals in Realty Pool—
Head of Alleged Swindle
Sought Women for
Victims.

Her fortune of nearly \$85,000 lost in
real estate investments with the Jack-
son Brothers Realty Company, the
firm whose head was convicted Satur-
day of grand larceny and who will be
tried again to-day, Mrs. Eleanor Barry,
a widow, killed herself in her apart-
ments, in No. 49 Clermont avenue, early
yesterday morning.

E. B. Dennison, of No. 266 Broadway,
a lawyer who has aided the District At-
torney in the preparation of the case
against Edgar R. Jackson, head of the
real estate company, said last night
that Mrs. Barry's suicide was the
fourth death directly due to losses re-
sulting from dealings with the Jack-
sons.

He said she had invested \$83,334 with
the Jacksons. In December, 1908, the
company obtained this money from her
by selling her a worthless sixth mort-
gage on eighty-seven acres of land
near Garden City that had been con-
veyed to a dummy corporation for a
consideration of \$5,000 an acre, or
\$437,000, subject to mortgages aggre-
gating \$233,946.

Others Who Lost in Pool.

According to Mr. Dennison, one of the
other deaths due to losses in Jackson
investments was that of Charles B.
Clark, a Yale graduate. Clark, he said,
committed suicide in this city on the
Saturday preceding Thanksgiving Day,
in 1911, following the loss of several
thousand dollars.

Another victim of the firm, a Bos-
ton schoolmistress, he said, dropped
dead when told that \$5,000 placed
with the Jacksons was lost.

Although Mrs. Barry's maid and com-
panion, Miss Elizabeth Wilson, occu-
pied a room two doors down the hall
from Mrs. Barry, Miss Wilson was not
awakened by either of the two shots
that the woman fired into her head.
She had been dead for some hours when
Miss Wilson found the body lying
across the bed, clad only in a night-
dress. There was one bullet wound in
the left temple and another in the roof
of the mouth.

Coroner Says "Probable Suicide."

Miss Wilson called in Dr. Piske, of
No. 440 Riverside Drive, and the physi-
cian, in turn, summoned Patrolman
Breitenstein. Coroner Feinberg and
Detective Connors made investigations,
but decided that there was nothing sus-
picious about the death. The entry on
the police blotter at the West 100th
street station read, "Probable suicide."

A will was found, which disposed of
the remainder of the property, after
debts were settled, to Miss Wilson, who
had been with Mrs. Barry a long time
and who was heartbroken over the af-
fair. She said Mrs. Barry had a large
income until six months ago, when it
was swallowed up in the Jackson pool.
Then Mrs. Barry became melancholy
and was troubled with insomnia. She
and Miss Wilson had lived in the Clare-
mont avenue house, known as the
Barfield apartments, for seven years.
Miss Wilson said she thought Mrs.
Barry's relatives made their home in
California.

The Jackson Brothers Realty Com-
pany, at No. 507 Fifth avenue, first
came into notoriety last July, when a
young woman and a Maine capitalist
made complaints that their money had
been filched from them. Then other
claims began to pour in to the District
Attorney. It is said that the company
made more than \$1,000,000 in three
years.

Women Jackson's Victims.

After the grand jury found two in-
dictments against Edgar R. Jackson,
the head of the concern, he gave him-
self up and was indicted, later being
released on \$20,000 bail. He was con-
victed last week of grand larceny in
that he defrauded Miss Mary Griffith,
of Akron, Ohio, of \$5,000, inducing her
to invest by means of false statements.
She said he told her he paid \$4,000 an
acre for Long Island real estate which
cost only \$2,400.

He will be tried again to-day, and
there is still another indictment against
him. In addition, Oslin M. Jackson,
his brother and the treasurer of the
company, and Charles E. L. Clark, said
to have been treasurer of a dummy
company, have been indicted for grand
larceny. Yonkers men say they lost
close to \$1,000,000 under the lure of
"demonstration profits." The real es-
tate concern is said to have customers
in all parts of the country.

POLICE ARE SKEPTICAL

Blaze Discovered by Children Is Re-
ported to Fire Marshal.